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INTRODUCTION

This final report presents the results of Odetics efforts performed under NASA GSFC Contract No. NAS5-26571 entitled "Tape/Head Interface Study". This investigation of high energy ( $H_c \approx 650$  oersteds) tapes and high track density (84 tracks per inch) heads had, as its goal, the definition of optimum combinations of head and tape, including the control required of their interfacial dynamics that would enable the manufacture of high rate (150 Mbps) digital tape recorders for unattended space flight.

At the time of contract award, Odetics was nearing completion of a 50 Mbps digital tape recorder (SPOT) for the French Space Agency (CNES) and saw the efforts contracted for under this study as a logical extension of the state-of-the-art established during the SPOT development.

The SPOT development established 42 tracks per inch on low energy instrumentation tape with error correction coding as a reliable concept for long life unattended space flight magnetic tape recorders.

The challenge became one of extending these concepts to twice the track density at increased bit packing density on yet to be space proven high energy video tapes.

Odetics used its quarter SPOT feasibility model tape transport, Spin Physics 21 track per 1/4 inch heads, and Ampex 721 and 3M5198 magnetic tapes to conduct its investigations.

1.0 Time and funding constraints did not allow the desired  
(Contd) goal of tape/head optimization to be realized; however,  
from the results obtained, it can be concluded that  
acceptable 84 track per inch longitudinal tipped  
recording heads can be manufactured; but commercially  
available video tapes require advancements in tape  
handling techniques and the addition of error  
correction coding to meet the performance requirements  
of 150 Mbps systems.

TAPES

After a review of manufacturers' specifications and discussions with tape manufacturers, GSFC, and IITRI, Odetics selected and placed orders with IITRI for the following four high energy tape types in 1/4 inch widths:

- a. Ampex 721
- b. Ampex 466
- c. Ampex 196
- d. 3M5198

Although we would have liked to evaluate Fuji tapes, we were informed that they would not be available in 1/4 inch widths or in 9200 foot lengths. Also, it was later determined that Ampex 196 would not be made available in 1/4 inch widths; so, it was eliminated from the study.

In addition to the three high energy tapes, Ampex 799 tape (available in our inventory) was used to provide baseline comparison data and resolve tape tracking anomalies. Comparison of the key magnetic characteristics is provided in Table 1.

At various times during the evaluation, Ampex 721 and 3M5198 were tested. The results were inconclusive as to which tape would best fulfill the needs of high density recording due primarily to the difficulties encountered in achieving acceptable tracking in both the forward and reverse directions with either tape type.

TAPE TYPE	BATCH NO.	PRIMARY USAGE	COERCIVITY, H <sub>ci</sub> (OERSTEDS)		RETENTIVITY B <sub>r</sub> (GAUSS)	ERASURE FIELD (OERSTEDS)
			MFR	II TRI		
3M5198	41571-1-01	INSTRUMENTATION	700	645	1350	UNKNOWN
AMPEX 466	1182946XX	DIGITAL MASTERING	650	689	UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN
AMPEX 721	11Q024171	INSTRUMENTATION	650	633	1000	2000
AMPEX 799	192444091	PCM	310	—	1000	1000

INTRINSIC MAGNETIC CHARACTERISTICS

TABLE 1

2.0 Odetics tape transports and associated tape guidance  
(Contd) techniques were designed and optimized for 3M900  
and Ampex 797/799 tapes with their gamma ferric oxide  
particle and associated binder system. Testing of  
the baseline system, with a production lot of  
Ampex 799, produced excellent tracking and recording  
results which were not duplicated with the high energy  
tapes.

Only after a significant amount of time was used to  
investigate the tracking problems with the high  
energy tapes, and modifications not recommended for  
long life satellite recorders implemented, could  
tracking performance acceptable for evaluating the  
high density heads be obtained. These nonprescribed  
modifications consisted of edge guiding the tape  
with the reel flanges and texturizing the capstans  
to increase the coefficient of friction beyond that  
previously used on Odetics recorders.

Whether or not production lots, rather than the  
custom lots used in this study, would yield acceptable  
tracking results should be determined before  
extensive investigations into improved tracking  
techniques are undertaken.



HEADS

After detailed engineering design, the head specifications of Appendix A were developed for procurement of record and reproduce heads from Spin Physics, Inc. of San Diego, California. The heads are designed for 35 KbpI recording/reproduction and have as their essential characteristics the following:

- a. 21 tracks per 1/4 inch, comprised of an interlaced set of heads with eleven and ten tracks respectively
- b. 0.008 inch effective record track width with 0.0035 inch guard band
- c. 0.006 inch effective reproduce track width with 0.0055 inch guard band
- d. Ferrite cores with solid alfesil tips
- e. 3 degree wrap angle

Heads developed and manufactured by Spin Physics to these specifications were successfully acceptance tested with Ampex 799 tape and further evaluated with high energy tapes on the quarter SPOT test system.

3.0            Although no technical problems were reported by  
(Contd)       Spin Physics during the development or manufacture  
              of the 21 track heads, nontechnical problems which  
              threatened delivery of the heads prompted Odetics  
              to undertake an 84 track/inch head development  
              with its own head division, Omutec, using  
              discretionary funds. It was hoped that the  
              outcome of the parallel development effort would  
              be available to provide comparative test results by  
              the end of this present study contract; however,  
              this was not accomplished.

The results obtained from this study were sufficient  
to ascertain that the technology does exist to build  
84 track/inch tipped heads for longitudinal recording  
in space satellite applications.

#### 4.0

#### EVALUATION TESTING

The tape and head evaluation philosophy that Odetics adopted was to establish performance on a baseline system and then reassess performance by changing the tape and/or head type. By minimizing the unknowns, less ambiguity would be introduced into the results.

The primary technique that Odetics uses to quantitatively assess the head/tape interface is transition density analysis. This is a method that quantifies the "eye pattern" by use of a company developed transition density analyzer (TDA). The TDA accepts any serial input and measures the time between transitions to a granularity of 20 nanoseconds. The number of total bits sampled is typically  $10^6$  or  $10^7$  bits. The output of the TDA is a printout of the number of transitions that occurred within each 20 nanosecond "window" from the previous transition. The windows or segments are sequentially numbered and the resulting plot represents a normal distribution about the data content bit cells. The absence of any transitions between bit cells is a measure of the recorder's ability to accurately decode the recorded signal. Actual printouts are included and used to assess performance in the ensuing sections.

#### 4.1

#### Baseline System

The system used to perform the evaluation testing consisted of a 1/4 inch tape transport mechanized to convert NRZ L input data into nine channels of randomized NRZ plus error correction coding for recording on tape. The nine reproduced channels

4.1 are then decoded removing the error correction  
(Contd) coding and reconverted to a single NRZ L output.  
To assess the raw (uncorrected) error rate of the system, the activity of the error correction circuitry is monitored. The baseline system uses 0.018 inch effective track width record and 0.016 inch reproduce heads with 0.005 and 0.007 inch guard bands respectively. It is optimized for 3M455 tape at 72 ips. The system is referred to as the quarter SPOT feasibility test model; SPOT being a 36 data track on one inch tape system.

#### 4.2 Baseline Testing

After establishing acceptable performance of the baseline system over a speed range of 50 to 80 ips (packing densities of 35 to 22 Kb/in), tests were conducted using the wide track SPOT heads and the first high energy tape, Ampex 721.

Figure 1 shows that the signal-to-noise ratio (SNR) of the baseline system with SPOT heads and Ampex 721 tape is greater than 50 db. These results were typical of all future testing with 3M tape and Spin Physics heads.

Figures 2 and 3 are transition density analyzer (TDA) printouts of all nine data tracks at densities of 25 Kb/in and 31 Kb/in respectively with a sample size of  $10^6$  transitions. The plots clearly show that the decision making zones are void of any transitions which in turn would result in good bit error rates (BER).

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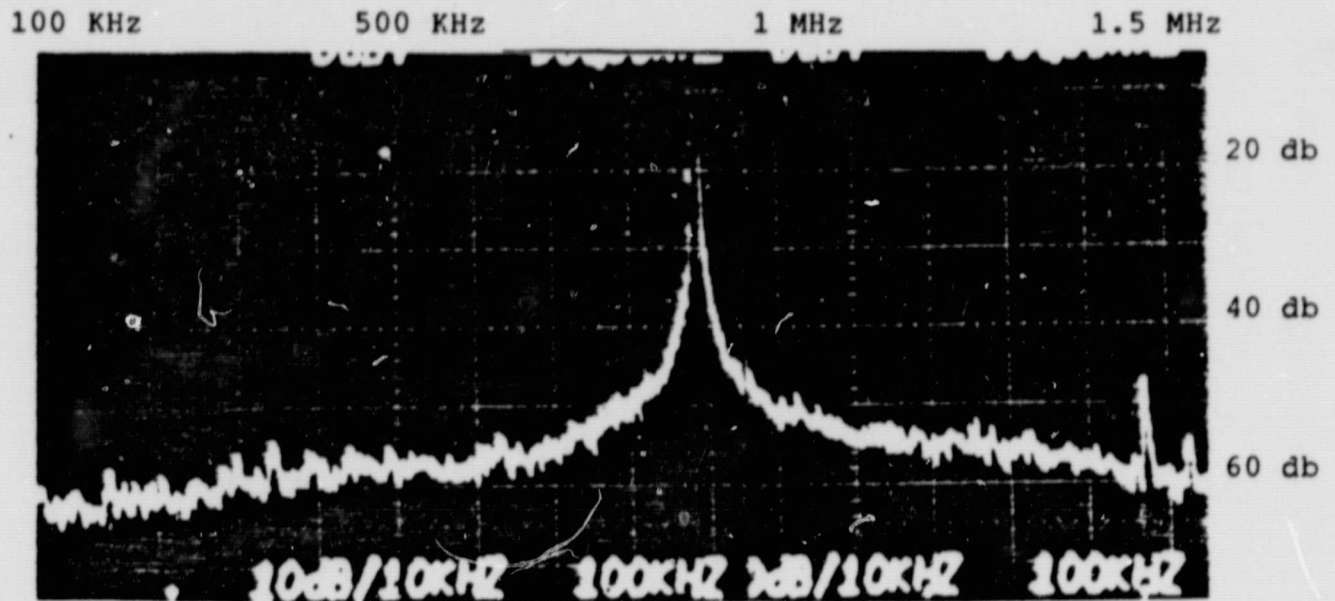


FIGURE 1 - BASELINE SYSTEM NOISE SPECTRUM

SPOT (18 MIL) HEADS  
AMPEX 721 TAPE  
868 KHz SIGNAL  
31 Kb/in DENSITY

(PLOT IS COMPOSITE OF TWO SEPARATE SCANS)

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FIGURE 3

AMPEX 721 TAPE, SPOT HEADS , 31 Kb/in

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69	89	0	2,593	89	0	12,900	89	0	0,297	89	0	11,070	89	0
70	90	0	921	90	0	6,024	90	0	3,016	90	0	6,400	90	0
71	91	0	204	91	0	2,060	91	0	1,405	91	0	3,105	91	0
72	92	0	50	92	0	960	92	0	561	92	0	1,140	92	0
73	93	0	2	93	0	237	93	0	120	93	0	340	93	0
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4.2        The lower speed (higher density) 31 Kb/in plot  
(Contd)   contains wider (larger number of segments) zones  
            of zero transitions due to better tracking of the  
            baseline system at low speeds.

BER performance was measured for reference purposes. Data was taken at both 25 Kb/in and 31 Kb/in with comparable results. The raw or uncorrected BER for the 31 Kb/in recording was  $1 \times 10^{-5}$  for a typical track, but some sections of tape were as high as  $5 \times 10^{-5}$ . In general, the corrected BER over the entire tape length was better than  $1 \times 10^{-6}$ . This measurement included two large bursts that were greater than the correction capability of the baseline system and indicates that a dual burst correction system like that implemented on the SPOT flight models is in order to mask such errors.

#### 4.3        High Density Testing

A sample of Ampex 721 tape was evaluated for bit error rate performance by modifying the baseline system originally configured for the SPOT feasibility study. In the modified configuration, the normal 42 track/in heads manufactured by Omutec were replaced with an 84 track/in configuration manufactured by Spin Physics.

Nine adjacent tape tracks selected about the tape center line were used to interface with the data signal conditioning electronics. A servo clock required for the reproduce dejitter function was recorded redundantly on tape tracks nearest the tape edge.

4.3  
(Contd)

In the normal mode of tape evaluation, a 12.5 Mbps  $2^{20} - 1$  PN sequence word is recorded at one of four predetermined tape packing densities on the nine data tracks. The data is then reproduced in the reverse direction and bit error rate verified with and without error correction. This data was supplemented with at least one sample of transition density data for each track at each of the four densities selected; see Figures 4 through 7.

The theoretical error correction properties are presented in Figure 8 by three straight lines that indicate the bit error rate improvement as a function of single block error events ( $\delta = 0$ ) or 100% random errors ( $\delta = 1$ ). Also plotted is a case where 10% of the error events are of a random error probability ( $\delta = .1$ ).

Empirical BER data was accumulated by first optimizing each track for the best TDA display. Once it was verified that all tracks were optimized, a recording using a  $2^{20} - 1$  PN sequence was reproduced with the error correction feature disconnected as a means of measuring the raw bit error rate. Corrected BER was then obtained by rewinding the tape and making a second pass with the error correction logic active. This procedure was repeated several times for each of the four densities selected.

The results of these empirical measurements are also plotted in Figure 8 for a direct comparison with the theoretical code properties.









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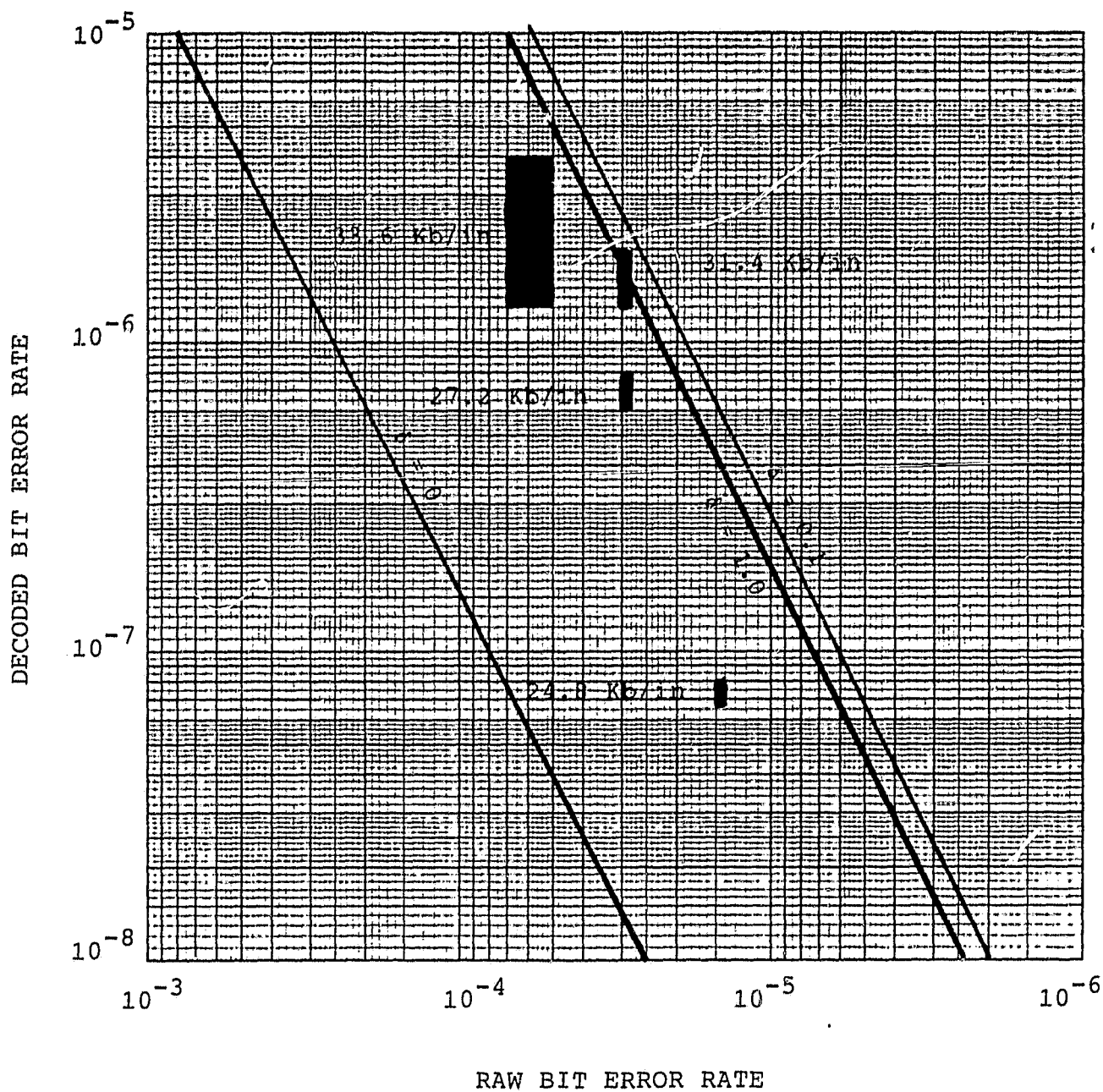


Fig. 8 Performance for (9,8;2) Code



4.3 As shown in Figure 8, the widest performance variation  
(Contd) occurred at the highest packing density of 33.6 Kb/in and is most likely attributed to the poor TDA response observed for TK6 and TK7 at this density (see Figure 7). Even under this condition, the BER improvement was well over 10:1. Lowering the density to 24.8 Kb/in yielded a significant performance improvement. For instance, at the 24.8 Kb/in density, the corrected BER improvement over the 33.6 Kb/in data jumped from 10 to 187 with a raw bit error rate improvement of only 4 to 1.

It should be emphasized here that the data presented in this report is not intended to demonstrate the ultimate but only to indicate the generic performance trends for high track density configurations.

In essence, BER histograms generated from each tape sample under test would exhibit unique signatures; but in general, it is concluded by this evaluation that there would be few tape samples yielding a raw bit error rate better than  $1 \times 10^{-5}$ .

These observations do imply that some algorithms for error correction are in order for ultimate guaranteed BER performance.

Using the tape quality discussion above as a given, it is obvious from the test results obtained to date that a more powerful error correction code would be in order for BER improvements in excess of 100 to 1 when the tape packing density exceeds 25 Kb/in. However, this task is not out of reach with present code technologies illustrated in Figure 9. The data of Figure 9 plots

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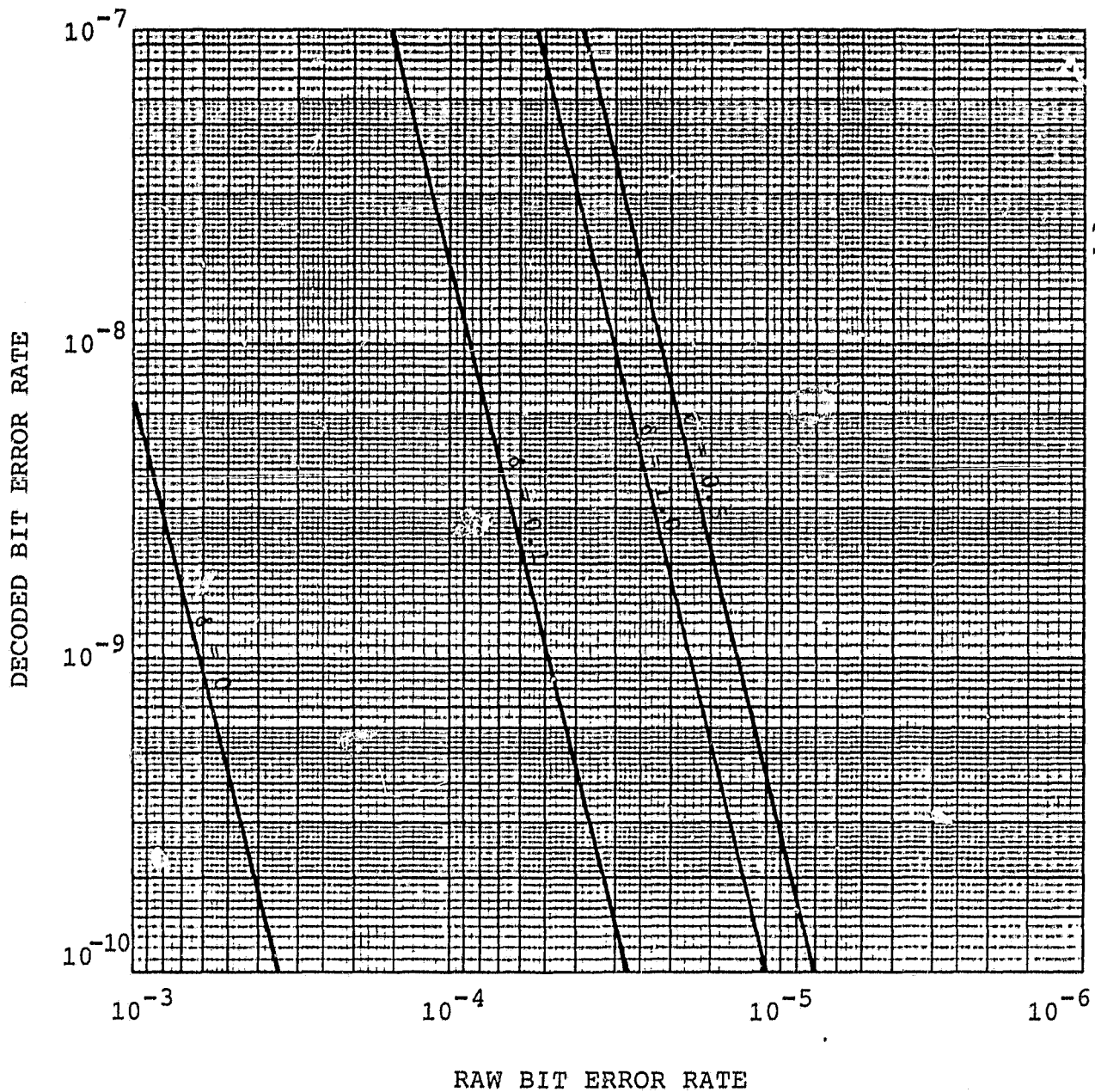



Fig. 9 Performance Estimate for Reed Solomon  
Double Burst Correcting Code

4.3 the predicted results of a double burst error  
(Contd) correction concept used on the final SPOT recorder  
configuration. In this case, a raw bit error rate  
of  $10^{-4}$  based on  $\delta = .1$  would yield a  $1.5 \times 10^{-8}$   
corrected bit error rate.

APPENDIX A  
Head Specifications

# RECORD HEAD CHARACTERISTICS

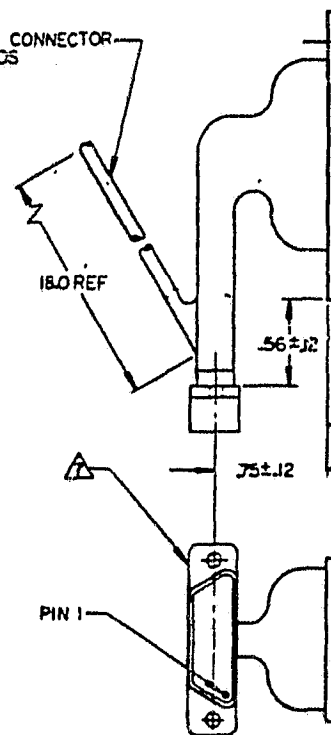
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PARAMETER	DIM	UNIT	SPEC TOL
ANGLE	A	DEGREE	10 MIN
FACE RADIUS	B	INCH	.125 ±.025
TIP DEPTH	—	MIL	1.5 ±.2
GAP LENGTH	—	MICROINCH	25 ±2.5
TAPE WRAP	C	DEGREE	3 ±.5
TAPE TENSION	D	OUNCE	3 ±1
AZIMUTH	E	MINUTES OF ARC	1 MAX
TILT	F	MINUTES OF ARC	1 MAX
GAP SCATTER	—	MICROINCH	50 MAX
CORE TYPE	—	FERRITE	
CORE TIP CONSTRUCTION	—	SOLID	REF 314
TERMINATION	—	—	—
WIDTH	G	INCH	.562 ±.020
DEPTH	H	INCH	.800 MAX
GAP & TO MOUNTING SURFACE	J	INCH	.281 ±.001
MOUNTING SURFACE	K	—	—
HEIGHT	L	INCH	.635 ±.015
MTG HOLE	M	INCH	.435 ±.005
MTG HOLE	N	INCH	.100 ±.009
MTG HOLE	P	INCH	.332 ±.005
EFFECTIVE DATA TRACK WIDTH	R	MIL	8 ±0.7
EFFECTIVE DATA TRACK SPACING	S	MIL	23 REF
TAPE & TO BASE	T	INCH	.317 REF
BASE TO TRACK 1	U	INCH	.198 ±.0007
BASE TO TRACK 2	V	INCH	.221
BASE TO TRACK 3	W	INCH	.244
BASE TO TRACK 4	X	INCH	.267
BASE TO TRACK 5	Y	INCH	.290
BASE TO TRACK 6	Z	INCH	.313
BASE TO TRACK 7	CC	INCH	.336
BASE TO TRACK 8	EE	INCH	.359
BASE TO TRACK 9	FF	INCH	.382
BASE TO TRACK 10	GG	INCH	.405
BASE TO TRACK 11	HH	INCH	.428 ±.0007

ELECTRICAL : DATA TRACKS 			
PARAMETER	UNIT	SPEC	TOL
SHIELD TO CASE RESISTANCE	OHM	10	MAX
INSULATION RESISTANCE	MEG OHM	50	MIN
TRANSFORMER CROSSTALK	dB	40	MIN
DATA FREQUENCY	KHz	3	MIN
	HIGHEST	2	MAX
SHORTEST WAVELENGTH OF INTEREST	MICRONCH	60	REF
HEAD DRIVER VOLTAGE	VOLTS	11	±2%
SIGNAL CURRENT FOR MAX REPRO OUTPUT	mA PP	19	±16%
WAVELENGTH FOR CURRENT SET	MICRONCH	60	REF
CURRENT RISE TIME	US	TBD	MAX

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UNTERMINATED PIN			25	

UNTERMINATED CONNECTOR  
PIN SELF-LEADS



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SELF-LEADED CONNECTOR (SUPPLIED BY ODETICS):  
WIRE COLOR CODE IS PER MIL-STD-681, SYSTEM 1.  
PART NO. SHALL BE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

- A. DSR258H5-18.0 CODE IDENT: 5A455
- B. D95-9685-1035 (MCM1-37P607-18.0) CODE IDENT: 98278
- C. DSK37P6H5-18.0 CODE IDENT: 5A455

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TRACKS HAVING COMMON CONNECTOR PINS ARE INTERCONNECTED  
INTERNAL TO HEAD. (T B D)

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PERFORMANCE DATA SHALL BE MEASURED PER 3.1.1 OF S450001.  
TEST DATA BASED ON AMPLEX 779 TAPE AT 60 IPS.

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CORE GROUNDING: THE FERRITE CORES SHALL BE GROUNDED TO  
THE CASE BY USING SILVER CONDUCTIVE EPOXY OR ODETICS  
APPROVED EQUIVALENT. SILVER EPOXY SHALL NOT BE USED  
EXCLUSIVELY FOR SECURING THE CORES.



MARK INDICATED SURFACE PER ODETICS' STD 5900000-4 WITH  
PART NO. 6408055-1, MANUFACTURERS NAME, AND SERIAL NO.  
ALL ELECTRICAL PARAMETERS, DIMENSIONS AND TOLERANCES  
INDICATED IN THIS SPEC ARE MEASURED WITH THIS SURFACE  
ATTACHED TO A PLANE INFINITELY STIFF IN STRUCTURE AND  
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HEAD CHARACTERISTICS TO BE MATED WITH HEAD HEAD IN  
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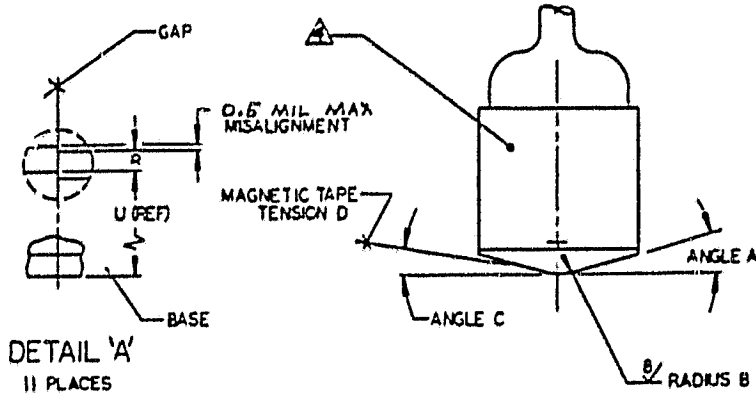


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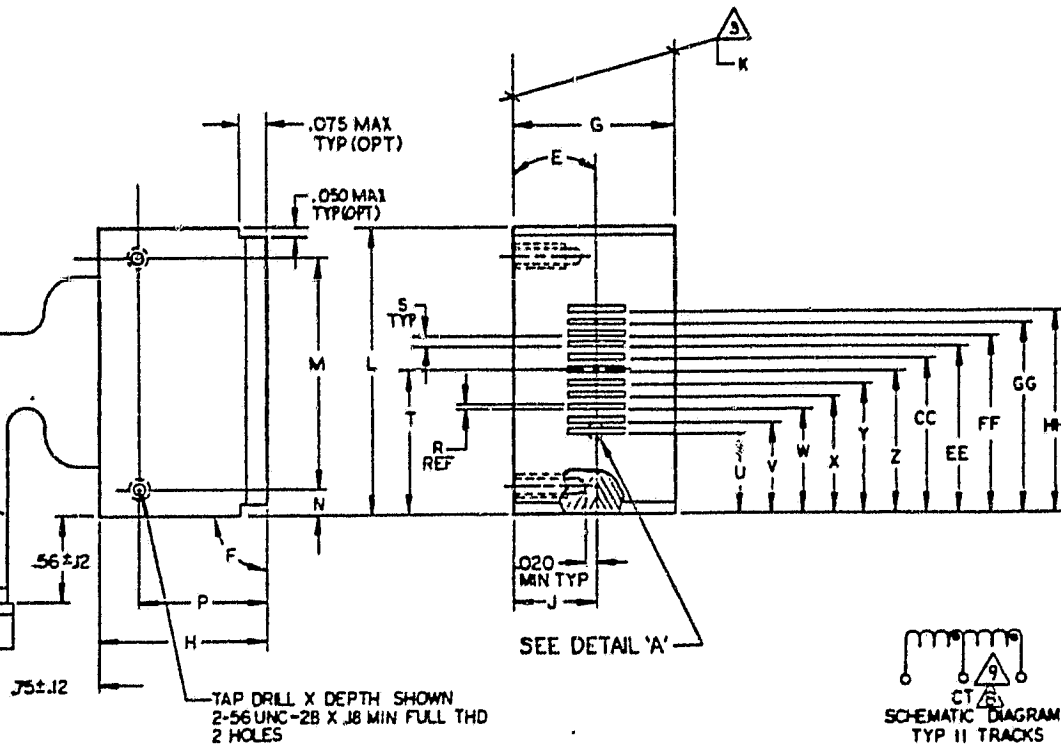
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			RELEASE			
FRWTH			SIZE CODE IDENT NO. DRWG NO.			
QTY REQD			D 32964 X-5408055			
QTY IN A/F/A			SCALE NONE WEIGHT ~ SHEET 1 OF 1			
NEXT ASSEMBLY/FINAL ASSEMBLY			APPLICATION			
SURFACE ROUGHNESS			✓			

**Adetics Inc.** ANAHEIM CALIFORNIA  
HEAD, WRITE, 11 DATA TRACKS, WIDEBAND, 1/4 IN. TAPE, ODD, RIGHT HAND MOUNT

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# RECORD HEAD CHARACTERISTICS



## MECHANICAL

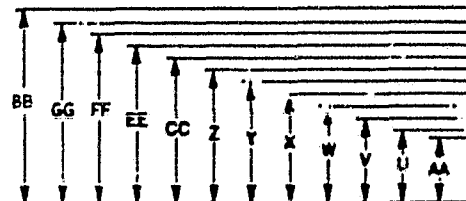
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ANGLE	A	DEGREE	10	MIN
FACE RADIUS	B	INCH	.125	±.025
TIP DEPTH	-	MIL	1.5	±.2
GAP LENGTH	-	MICROINCH	2.5	±2.5
TAPE WRAP	C	DEGREE	5	±2
TAPE TENSION	D	OUNCE	3	±1
AZIMUTH	E	MINUTES OF ARC	1	MAX
TILT	F	MINUTES OF ARC	1	MAX
GAP SCATTER	-	MICROINCH	50	MAX
CORE TYPE	-	-	FERRITE	-
CORE TIP CONSTRUCTION	-	-	SOLID ALFESIL	-
TERMINATION	-	-	A/B	-
WIDTH	G	INCH	.562	±.020
DEPTH	H	INCH	.800	MAX
GAP & TO MOUNTING SURFACE	J	INCH	.201	±.001
MOUNTING SURFACE	K	-	A	-
HEIGHT	L	INCH	.135	±.015
MTG HOLE	M	INCH	.425	±.005
MTG HOLE	N	INCH	.100	±.003
MTG HOLE	P	INCH	.332	±.005
EFFECTIVE DATA TRACK WIDTH	R	MIL	8	±0.7
EFFECTIVE DATA TRACK SPACING	S	MIL	23	REF
TAPE & TO BASE	T	INCH	.317	REF
BASE TO TRACK 1	U	INCH	.2075	±.0007
BASE TO TRACK 2	V	INCH	.2325	↑
BASE TO TRACK 3	W	INCH	.2555	↑
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BASE TO TRACK 7	CC	INCH	.3475	↑
BASE TO TRACK 8	EE	INCH	.3705	↑
BASE TO TRACK 9	FF	INCH	.3935	↑
BASE TO TRACK 10	GG	INCH	.4165	±.0007
BASE TO DUMMY TRK A	AA	INCH	.203	±.001
BASE TO DUMMY TRK B	BB	INCH	.430	±.001
EFFECTIVE DUMMY TRACK WIDTH	DD	MIL	16	±.003

PARAMETER	UNIT	SPEC	TOL
SHIELD TO CASE RESISTANCE	OHM	1.0	MAX
INSULATION RESISTANCE	MEGOHM	50	MIN
TRANSFORMER CROSSTALK	dB	40	MIN
DATA FREQUENCY	KHZ	3	MIN
HIGHEST	MHZ	2	MAX
SHORTEST WAVELENGTH OF INTEREST	MICRONCH	60	REF
HEAD DRIVER VOLTAGE	VOLTS	11	±2%
SIGNAL CURRENT FOR MAX REPRO OUTPUT	MA P-P	19	±15%
WAVELENGTH FOR CURRENT SET	MICRONCH	60	REF
CURRENT RISE TIME	μS	TBD	MAX

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TRACK I.D.	CONNECTOR PIN NO.			
10	10	12	23	
9	9	13	22	
8	8	12	21	
7	7	13	20	
6	6	12	19	
5	5	13	18	
4	4	12	17	
3	3	13	16	
2	2	12	15	
1	1	13	14	
UNTERMINATED PIN	11	25		



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TYP 10 TRACKS



SELF-LEADED CONNECTOR (SUPPLIED BY ODETICS):  
WIRE COLOR CODE IS PER MIL-STD-681, SYSTEM 1.  
PART NO. SHALL BE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

- A. DSR2550HS-18.0 CODE IDENT: 54455
- B. D95-9685-1035 (MCDML-37P6D7-18.0) CODE IDENT: 98278
- C. DSR37P6HS-18.0 CODE IDENT: 54455



TRACKS HAVING COMMON CONNECTOR PINS ARE INTERCONNECTED  
INTERNAL TO HEAD.



PERFORMANCE DATA SHALL BE MEASURED PER 3.1.1 OF 5450001.  
TEST DATA BASED ON AMPEX 799TAPE AT 60 IPS.



CORE GROUNDING: THE FERRITE CORES SHALL BE GROUNDED TO  
THE CASE BY USING SILVER CONDUCTIVE EPOXY OR ODETICS  
APPROVED EQUIVALENT. SILVER EPOXY SHALL NOT BE USED  
EXCLUSIVELY FOR SECURING THE CORES.



MARK INDICATED SURFACE PER ODETICS' STD 5900000-4 WITH  
PART NO. 5408056-1, MANUFACTURERS NAME, AND SERIAL NO.  
ALL ELECTRICAL PARAMETERS, DIMENSIONS AND TOLERANCES  
INDICATED IN THIS SPEC ARE MEASURED WITH THIS SURFACE  
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FLAT TO A MAX OF 5 LIGHT BANDS WHEN ATTACHMENT SCREWS  
ARE TORQUED TO 2.5 - 3.5 IN-LBS.



HEAD CHARACTERISTICS TO BE MATED WITH HEAD HEAD IN  
ACCORDANCE WITH SPEC CONTROL DWG. 5418056



APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS: ODETICS, INC. SPEC CONTROL  
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## REPRODUCE HEAD CHARACTERISTICS

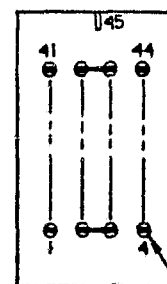
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FACE RADIUS	B	INCH	.125 ±.015	INSULATION RESISTANCE	MEGOHM	50   MIN	
TIP DEPTH	-	MIL	1.5 ±.2	SELF RESONANCE	MHZ	2   MIN	
GAP LENGTH	-	MICROINCH	25 ± 2.5	TRANSFORMER CROSSTALK	dB	36   MIN	
TAPE WRAP	C	DEGREE	3 ± 5	PEAK OUTPUT LEVEL	WVRMS	60   MIN	
TAPE TENSION	D	OUNCE	3 ± 1	OUTPUT AT $\lambda$ RELATIVE TO PEAK	dB	-18 ± 2	
AZIMUTH	E	MINUTES OF ARC	1   MAX	$\lambda = 10$ MIL	dB	-18 ± 2	
TILT	F	MINUTES OF ARC	1   MAX	$\lambda = 2$ MIL	dB	-1 ± 2	
GAP SCATTER	-	MICROINCH	50   MAX	$\lambda = .1$ MIL	dB	-6 ± 2	
CORE TYPE	FERRITE			$\lambda = .08$ MIL	dB	-7 ± 2	
CORE TIP CONSTRUCTION	SOLID ALFESIL			$\lambda = .06$ MIL	dB	-12 ± 2	
TERMINATION	TERMINAL USECO 2065B1			INDIVIDUAL GAP AZIMUTH MISALIGNMENT	dB	1   MAX	
WIDTH	G	INCH	.562 ±.020	SHORTEST WAVELENGTH OF INTEREST	MICRO-INCH	60   MIN	
DEPTH	H	INCH	.600   MAX				
GAP $\epsilon$ TO MOUNTING SURFACE	J	INCH	.281 ±.001				
MOUNTING SURFACE	K		$\Delta$				
HEIGHT	L	INCH	.635 ±.015				
MTG HOLE	M	INCH	.495 ±.005				
MTG HOLE	N	INCH	.100 ±.003				
MTG HOLE	P	INCH	.332 ±.005				
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EFFECTIVE DATA TRACK STACING	S	MIL	23 REF				
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BASE TO TRACK 1	U	INCH	.199 ±.0067				
BASE TO TRACK 2	V	INCH	.222 $\Delta$				
BASE TO TRACK 3	W	INCH	.245				
BASE TO TRACK 4	X	INCH	.267				
BASE TO TRACK 5	Y	INCH	.291				
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BASE TO TRACK 8	EE	INCH	.360				
BASE TO TRACK 9	FF	INCH	.383				
BASE TO TRACK 10	GG	INCH	.406 $\nabla$				
BASE TO TRACK 11	HH	INCH	.429 ±.007				

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THD 2 HOLES



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TEST DATA BASED ON AMPLEX 799TAPE AT 60 IPS.

CORE GROUNDING: THE FERRITE CORES SHALL BE GROUNDED TO THE CASE BY USING SILVER CONDUCTIVE EPOXY OR ODETICS APPROVED EQUIVALENT. SILVER EPOXY SHALL NOT BE USED EXCLUSIVELY FOR SECURING THE CORES.



MARK INDICATED SURFACE PER ODETICS' STD 590000-4 WITH PART NO. 54180554, MANUFACTURERS NAME, AND SERIAL NO.

ALL ELECTRICAL PARAMETERS, DIMENSIONS AND TOLERANCES INDICATED IN THIS SPEC ARE MEASURED WITH THIS SURFACE ATTACHED TO A PLANE INFINITELY STIFF IN STRUCTURE AND FLAT TO A MAX OF 5 LIGHT BANDS WHEN ATTACHMENT SCREWS ARE TORQUED TO 2.5 - 3.5 IN-LBS.

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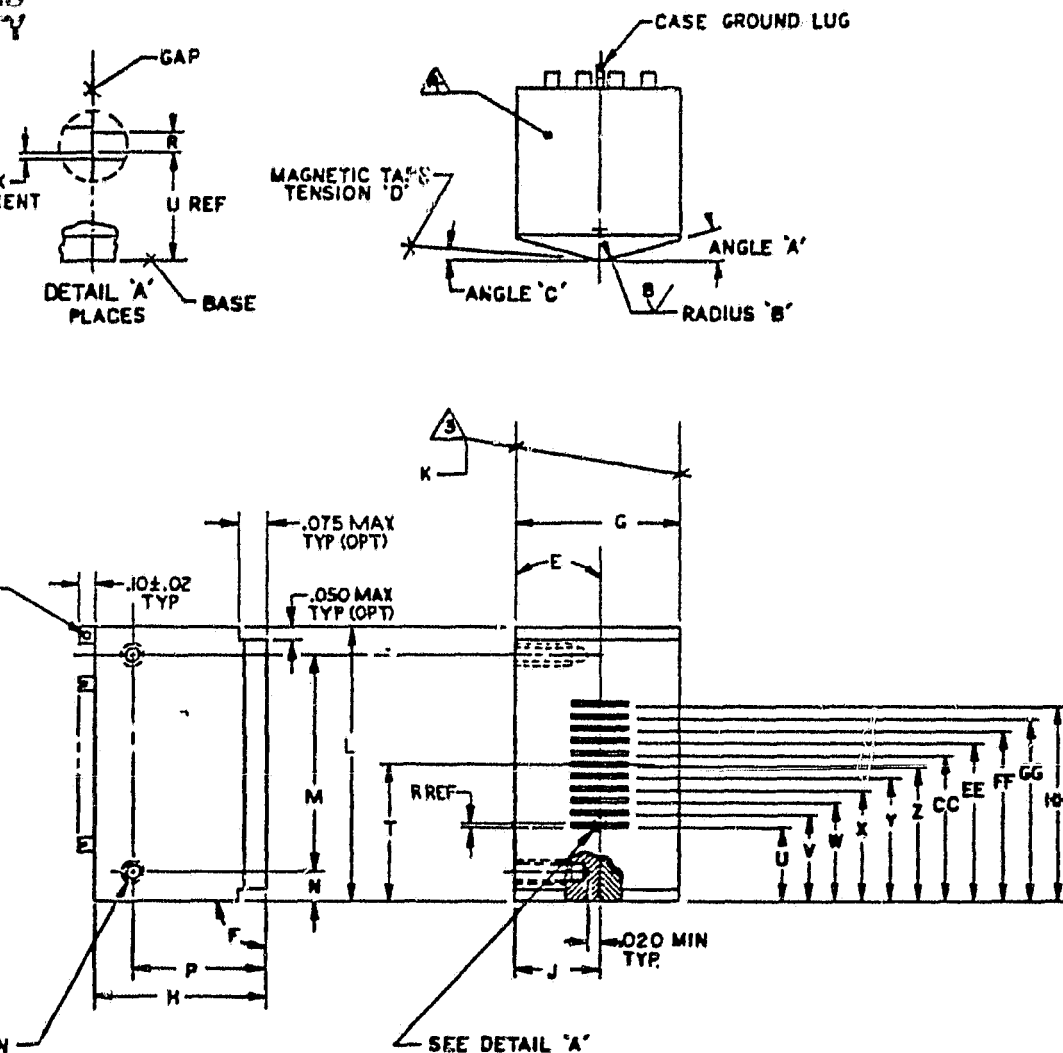


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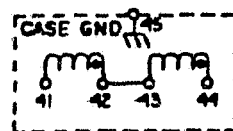
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TYP II TRACKS

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FINISH			ELEC. ENG.			
Q & A			Q & A			
MFG. ENG.			MFG. ENG.			
PRGM. MGR.			PRGM. MGR.			
RELEASE			RELEASE			
SURFACE FINISH			SURFACE FINISH			
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QTY F/A			QTY F/A			
NEXT ASSEMBLY/FINAL ASSEMBLY			NEXT ASSEMBLY/FINAL ASSEMBLY			
APPLICATION			APPLICATION			
SURFACE FINISH			SURFACE FINISH			
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WEIGHT			WEIGHT			
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HEAD, READ, II DATA TRACKS,  
WIDEBAND, 1/4 IN. TAPE, ODD,  
RIGHT HAND MOUNT

SIZE CODE IDENT NO. DWG NO.

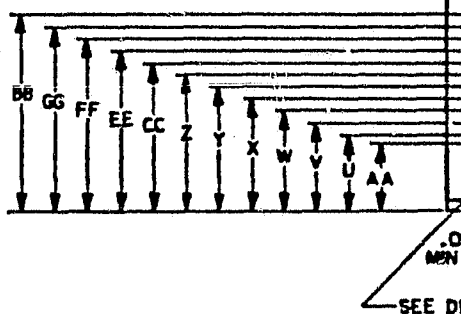
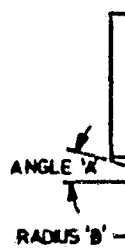
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REPRODUCE HEAD CHARACTERISTICS					ELECTRICAL: DATA TRACKS				
MECHANICAL					ELECTRICAL: DATA TRACKS				
PARAMETER	DIM	UNIT	SPEC	TOL	PARAMETER	UNIT	SPEC	TOL	
ANGLE	A	DEGREE	10	MIN	SHIELD TO CASE RESISTANCE	OHM	10	MAX	
FACE RADIUS	B	INCH	.125	±.015	INSULATION RESISTANCE	MEG OHM	50	MIN	
TIP DEPTH	—	MIL	1.5	±.2	SELF RESONANCE	MHZ	2	MIN	
GAP LENGTH	—	MICROINCH	25	±2.5	TRANSFORMER CROSSTALK	dB	36	MIN	
TAPE WRAP	C	DEGREE	3	±.8	PEAK OUTPUT LEVEL	mV RMS	60	MIN	
TAPE TENSION	D	OUNCE	3	±1	OUTPUT AT λ RELATIVE TO PEAK	λ=10 MIL	dB	-18 ±2	
AZIMUTH	E	MINUTES OF ARC	1	MAX		λ=2 MIL	dB	-1 ±1	
						λ=1 MIL	dB	-5 ±1	
TILT	F	MINUTES OF ARC	1	MAX		λ=.08 MIL	dB	-7 ±1	
						λ=.06 MIL	dB	-12 ±1	
GAP SCATTER	—	MICROINCH	50	MAX	INDIVIDUAL GAP				
CORE TYPE	FERRITE				AZIMUTH MISALIGNMENT	dB	1	MAX	
CORE TIP CONSTRUCTION	SOLID ALFESIL				SHORTEST WAVELENGTH OF INTEREST	MICROINCH	60	MIN	
TERMINATION	—								
TERMINALS USED	2065BI								
WIDTH	G	INCH	.562	±.005					
DEPTH	H	INCH	.600	MAX					
GAP $\epsilon$ TO MOUNTING SURFACE	J	INCH	.281	±.001					
MOUNTING SURFACE	K		Δ						
HEIGHT	L	INCH	.635	±.015					
MTG HOLE	M	INCH	.435	±.005					
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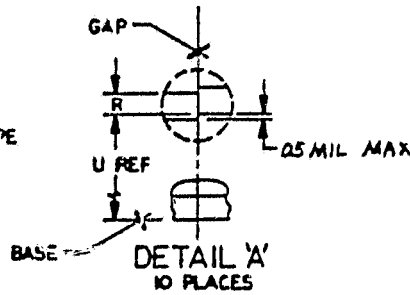
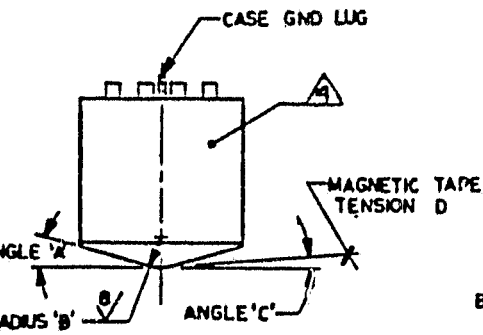
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MAX INDICATED SURFACE PER ODETICS' STD 5900000-4 WITH PART NO. 6410 056-1, MANUFACTURERS NAME, AND SERIAL NO.  
ALL ELECTRICAL PARAMETERS, DIMENSIONS AND TOLERANCES INDICATED IN THIS SPEC ARE MEASURED WITH THIS SURFACE ATTACHED TO A PLANE INFINITELY STIFF IN STRUCTURE AND FLAT TO A MAX OF 5 LIGHT BANDS WHEN ATTACHMENT SCREWS ARE TORQUED TO 2.5 - 3.5 IN-LBS.

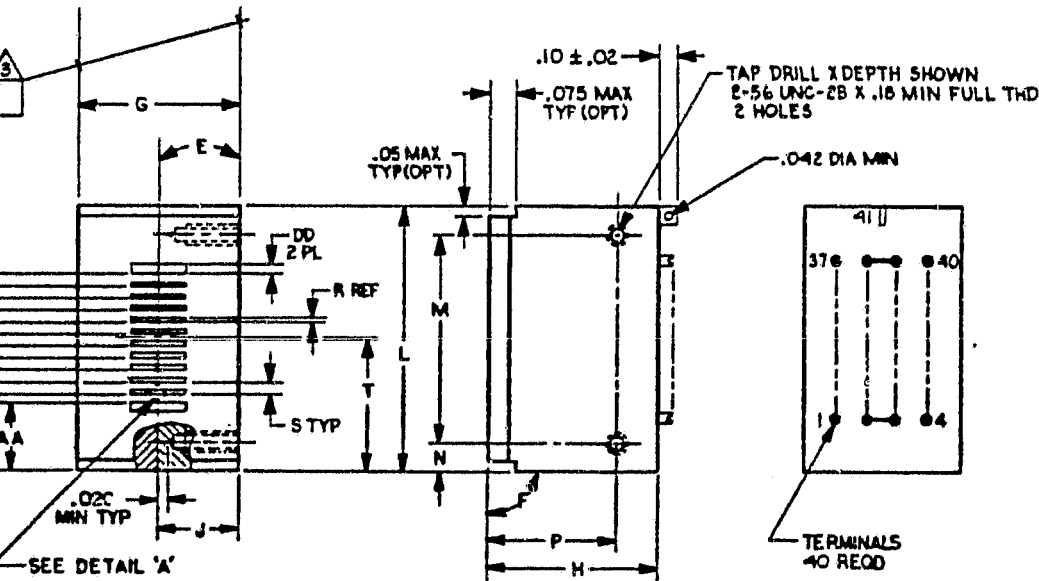
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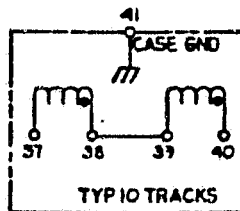


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			Q & R A			
FINISH			MFG. ENG.			
			PRGM MGR			
			RELEASE			
QTY N/A	QTY F/A	APPLICATION	<div> <b>Qdetics Inc.</b> ANAHEIM CALIFORNIA </div>			
NEXT ASSEMBLY			<div> HEAD, READ, IO DATA TRACKS, WIDEBAND, 1/4 IN. TAPE, EVEN, LEFT HAND MOUNT </div>			
SURFACE ROUGHNESS			<div> D 32964 X-5418056 A </div>			
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